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Ethan,

Rachel sent us three of your letters to Mom's iPad for us to read. It sounds like you're still worried about what the Sargent said about you going in infantry. They told me the same thing when I was drafted. It is their job to teach you how to be a soldier & how to fight. It doesn't mean you will go to combat & fight. You have an MOS, that doesn't require to fight or be in infantry. But you still need to learn how to be a soldier. The Sargent said we all were going in infantry & would be fighting in Vietnam.

I never carried a gun in Vietnam & never saw any combat. I was in Da Nang Vietnam & if you look at a map it is about 100 miles from North Vietnam. I know for a fact that half of the men in my platoon never did any fighting, that's what they have Marines for.

For you it's different than when I was in. We had no idea what an MOS was until after basic training. You already have a really good MOS which means you

WONT be doing any fighting. Sure like me
I was in a combat Zone but I did no
fighting, The army + Marines + Navy
did all the fighting for me. You're going
to have a great job protecting the people
~~fighting~~^{Fighting} by checking the satellites & letting
them know where the enemy is. You may
never leave the United States.

Remember God has your life planned
So quit worrying & enjoy life. Life is too
short to worry all the time.

We all love you & am looking forward to
CHRISTMAS break
We love you!

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